

## Christopher hired as interim superintendent

By LISA BICKNELL  
CV&T News Editor

The Estill County School Board appointed Randall Christopher as interim superintendent of the school district in their regularly-scheduled meeting on Thursday night. The board went into closed session and discussed the matter briefly. When the meeting was re-opened, a vote was taken among board members with all voting yes to the hiring of Christopher for 120 days with the exception of Jon Bicknell. The board also honored

several employees who are retiring from the school system.

Lopell Dixon was recognized for her 22 years in the school system by

Tonya Isaacs who taught with Dixon at West Irvine and later became her principal. She commended Dixon for her love of the children and for her sense of humor.

Carolyn Young is retiring from lunchroom services after 22 years. She worked as a cook for 20 years, then as lunchroom manager at the high school. Principal Blain Click said Young “never stopped smiling,” although both she and her daughter have faced cancer diagnoses in the past year.

Principal of South Irvine Pre-K Lisa Reece recognized Lana Horn for

her 23 years of teaching at South Irvine. Reece said Horn had made “a difficult decision” to retire early to help care for her husband Mike who suffered burn injuries earlier in the year.

Reece also commended Diana Long for 26 years of serving food with a smile. Long has worked at South Irvine as a cook for all those years.

Kathy Rawlins was not in attendance at the meeting, but her principal, Loretta Cruse, said Rawlins had worn many hats in her 19 years in the system,

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## Former State Representative dies



By LISA BICKNELL  
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Clarence D. (C.D.) Noland Jr., former State Representative, CSX railroad employee of 35 years, local business owner and civic leader died on Monday, December 15 at the age of 77. Noland was elected to the Kentucky House of Representatives in 1982 and served there until 1996. He was the

Minority caucus chairman and the Vice Chairman of the Appropriations and Revenue and Transportation committees.

Estill County Judge-executive Wallace Taylor said he’s known Noland “all his life.”

He recalled watching him drive a train many years ago when Taylor was living on Miller’s Creek.

“C.D. never changed,”

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## Santa sightings



Photo by Lisa Bicknell

Santa sightings have been common in Estill County of late. Santa informed the editor of the CV&T that he has made about 20 appearances in Irvine alone. Some children seemed a little uncertain about meeting the man in the red suit. For more Santa sightings, see page 13.

## Fiscal court approves purchase of emergency equipment

By LISA BICKNELL  
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The Estill County Fiscal court met in a special meeting on Monday night after the previous week’s regularly scheduled meeting was postponed due to some of the court having the flu.

Estill County Judge-executive Wallace Taylor was still not feeling well and was unable to attend the meeting.

Magistrate from District 1 Gerald Rader presided over the meeting as the court

addressed several budgetary matters. He opened the lone sealed bid for monitor defibrillators, and the court voted to approve the purchase of six defibrillators, with accessories, at a cost of \$184,863.60. The bid will be accepted if the equipment meets CSEPP specifications. CSEPP will be paying for them.

A spay/neuter grant agreement was approved for \$1,800 to the Department of Agriculture.

Permission was granted to advertise for bids for a Cascade compressor system. The system will be 95 percent funded by AFG, with the fiscal court matching five percent, said Deputy Judge Teresa Sparks. The compressor will be used to fill air tanks for the fire department.

A motion was approved to re-appoint Raymond Cooper to the REC board, and John Isfort and Margaret

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## Mayor’s second term comes to an end

By LISA BICKNELL  
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In Monday night’s Irvine City Council meeting, Mayor Ernest Farmer was called upon to address a familiar issue during his last meeting in office.

The question of city boundaries was again brought up as Dwight Arvin spoke to the council against paying city taxes for his and other properties along Kirkland Avenue.

He brought with him print outs from the Secretary of State’s office about annexation laws. If all procedures are not followed by the city, how they can tax those areas, he wondered.

“I don’t know that they

weren’t,” said County Attorney Rodney Davis. He said the statutes wouldn’t change anything because they were created after the city lines were established.

Arvin also had copies of laws pertaining to the agricultural use of the land. He pointed out that because of regulations on farmland, there is a farm in Fayette County that is surrounded by the city, but it is not taxed as city property.

Mayor Farmer emphasized again that the current map is the only thing he has to go on.

Irvine Police Captain Adrian McKinney was present to propose to the council that the police department get the city’s fleet of police cars started

on a regular maintenance schedule. He said he and other officers could do some of the work themselves and save the department money. He

also asked the city to invest in a car lift, oil drain and other equipment needed to service the vehicles. McKinney estimated that the department could

save enough to pay for the equipment within a couple of years.

Farmer suggested

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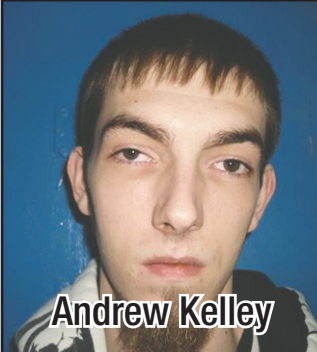
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The Irvine City Council presented Mayor Ernest Farmer, center, with plaques for his eight years as mayor. Mayor-elect W.J. Noland and incoming council members were sworn in after the meeting.

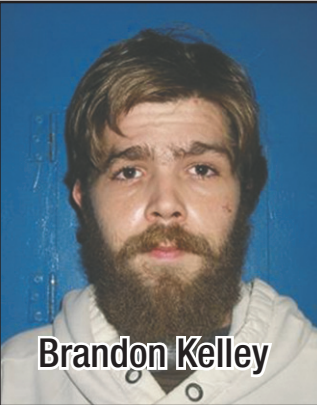
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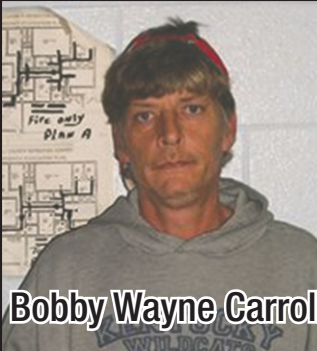
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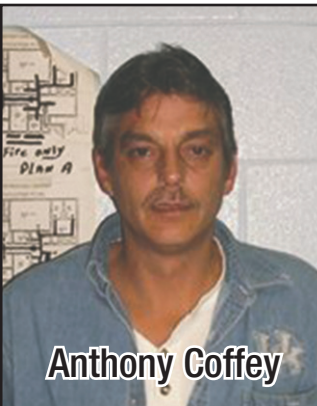
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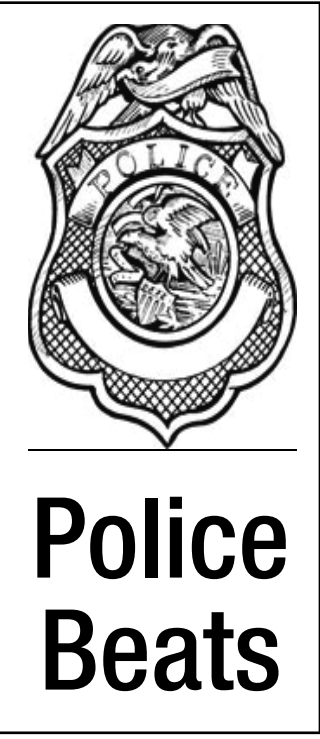
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**Irvine Police Department**

12-18 Billy L. Jones, 32, of 274 Turner Avenue, was

arrested on River Drive after Irvine Police Chief Brad Smith responded to a call about a man who was possibly “shooting up” in the tobacco barn parking lot on River Drive. According to the police report, Smith noticed Jones making suspicious movements as Smith approached the vehicle. Smith located a needle and other paraphernalia in plain sight in the vehicle and said Jones appeared to be intoxicated. Jones admitted he was shooting up. He told police that he had a needle loaded, then he pushed its liquid contents onto the floor where they could not be recovered. Smith located more needles, cotton, heat elements, and a spoon in the vehicle. Jones was charged with public intoxication and buying or possessing drug paraphernalia.

12-19 Melissa Kay Campbell, 46, of 92 Baker Bar Sub. Road, Beattyville, was arrested on Miller’s Creek at Birchwood Lane, after she was seen swerving across the center line while driving east on River Drive. IPD officer Sam Hensley activated his emergency lights on Millers Creek Road to conduct a traffic stop. Campbell increased her speed, according to the report, and Hensley activated his siren. Campbell finally stopped. She was apprehended for an active parole warrant from Lee County Circuit Court, and she showed signs of intoxication. She admitted to taking suboxone, neurotin and xanax. She was transported to Marcum and Wallace hospital for a blood draw. Campbell was charged with operating a

motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

12-20 Geraldine Seale, of 900 Belle Point Road, Beattyville, was arrested and charged with public intoxication after she was found at Subway after leaving the hospital. A police report stated that she ripped I.V.’s out of her arms and walked to Subway. She was unsteady on her feet. Seale told family she took four neurotin, but she told an officer she took two neurotin.

12-20 Michelle Rose, 43, of 300 Grindstone Road, was served a bench warrant by Officer John Sturniolo from Estill County District Court for failure to appear.

**Sheriff’s Department**

12-10 Brian T. Henry, 34,

of 226 Timberline Trail, was served a warrant of arrest by Deputy Russell Morris.

12-17 Stepanie Sue Abney, 24, of Flinchum Ridge Road, Ravenna, was served a warrant of arrest by Deputy Morris.

12-17 Kerry Rawlins, 57, of 4439 Ky. Hwy. 1050, Jeffersonville, was served a warrant from Fayette County by Deputy Ethan Jordan.

12-18 Roy Gross, 25, of 1193 Flinchum Ridge Road, Ravenna, was served a warrant by Deputy Morris from the Harrison County Sheriff’s Department.

12-18 Roy Gross, same as above, was served three warrants from Clark County.

12-18 Roy Gross, above, was served a warrant of arrest from Bourbon County.

12-18 Roy Gross, above,

was served a warrant of arrest from Madison County.

12-19 Benjamin Benedict, 24, of 250 Stump Road, was arrested at Shell Mart. He was driving a vehicle in front of Estill Springs Elementary when he recklessly failed to negotiate a curve. He drove into the wrong lane, causing Deputy Morris to run out of the road. Morris tried to initiate a traffic stop, but Benedict did not stop until he reached Shell Mart. A field sobriety test was performed. Benedict showed signs of intoxication, according to the police report. He admitting to drinking and taking a percoset. Benedict was taken to the jail.

12-21 Whitney Berryman, 25, of 1524 Versailles Road, Lexington was arrested on a warrant.

**Police discover an active meth lab in Ravenna**



**Alfred “Jimmy” Britton**

On Monday morning, December 22, 2014 the Irvine Police Department executed a search warrant at 805 Poplar Street in Ravenna after a confidential informant purchased meth from Alfred Jim “Jimmy” Britton.

Upon entry of the residence, several one step meth labs were discovered in the couples’

downstair apartment. Several precursor items for making meth were found, including liquid fire, bottles, tubing and other items consistent with the manufacturing of methamphetamine. One bottle was in plain sight within the “kitchen area,” where it was within one foot of a female at the apartment, Stacy Ward, 42, whose address was also given as 805 Poplar Street. Full product meth was located, and the smell of meth was present, the police report said.

Officers John Sturniolo, Mike Gross, Karl Rifenbark, Sam Hensley and Brad Smith were witnesses to the case.

Ward was charged with manufacturing methamphetamine, first; unlawful possession of methamphetamine precursors; and being a persistent felony offender, second. Her bond

was set at \$30,000 cash.

Britton was charged with manufacturing methamphetamine; unlawful possession of methamphetamine precursors; and trafficking of methamphetamine, first degree, first offense. His bond was set at \$20,000 cash.



**Marsha Ward**

**Traffic stop leads to arrest of father, son**

A father and son were arrested on December 18 after a traffic stop revealed that several warrants had been issued for their arrest.

Three warrants were executed against Kristopher O. Estes, 21, whose addresses were given as 124 Church Street and 264 Broadway.

One stated that Estes had followed Laken Harris out of the courthouse on June 5, 2014 after a court hearing and began to curse her and call her names. According to the police report, Estes hit Harris in the face and side several times, knocking her to the ground and breaking her glasses. The assault resulted in the victim having scratches

and bruises to her body. While she was on the ground, the defendant stole Gabapentin from her purse. He was charged with intimidating a participant in the legal process, assault, fourth degree (minor injury), and theft of a legend drug, first offense. A second bench warrant on Estes was for a charge of alcohol intoxication in a public place (first and second offense), and a third warrant was served for violating terms of parole by being arrested for alcohol intoxication.

Estes had been charged with unlawful imprisonment, first degree; wanton endangerment, first degree; assault, fourth degree

(domestic violence), and terroristic threatening, third degree. His bond was set at \$10,000, and he pled not guilty to the charges against him in court on December 22, 2014.

A warrant of arrest was also executed against Kristopher O.Estes, 39, of 10057 Elkhorn Creek, Ashcamp, for flagrant non-support. According to a Laurel County warrant, Estes has persistently failed to provide child support. He owed \$15,637.27, as of Oct. 31, 2014.

The warrants were executed by IPD Officer John Sturniolo.

**Suspects charged with trafficking on Pea Ridge**

The Irvine Police Department has made new arrests as a result of an ongoing investigation into drug trafficking in the county.

On December 17, the Irvine police department executed a search warrant at 550 Pea Ridge Road. They obtained the warrant after a confidential informant bought an oxycodone tablet from William Andrew Kelly, 23. The IPD also found more oxycodone pills and “change money” in varying amounts. Officers saw Kelly, who was convicted for trafficking in 2012, run to the bedroom and toss his wallet under the bed.

Kelly was charged with trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree, second offense; trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree, second offense, persistent felony offender, second degree; and tampering with physical evidence. His bond was set at \$30,000 cash. Kelly pled not guilty to all four counts during a preliminary hearing on December 22.

Brandon Kelly, 25, also

of 550 Pea Ridge Road, was arrested for selling an oxycodone tablet to a confidential informant. He was found with other pills and \$480 in bills, ranging from \$100s to \$5s. Also found with him were several items of paraphernalia including needles. Police seized pills, needles, a jump-drive, computers, and several other items.

A four-year old child was inside the house where the transaction took place.

Kelly was charged with trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree, first offense and wanton endangerment, first degree, both class D felonies. His bond was set at \$20,000 cash. Kelly pled not guilty to the charges against him at a preliminary hearing on December 22, 2014.

A confidential drug buy was also conducted that led to a search warrant being issued for 1182 Pea Ridge Road, the given address of Anthony W. Coffey, 28.


When IPD Chief Brad Smith

arrived at Coffey’s address, Bobby Wayne Carroll, 43, of 530 Pea Ridge Road, was seen handing Anthony Coffey a \$20 bill. Coffey also had a pill container in his hand with valium pills inside, according to the police report. Coffey had Gabapentin and Xanax in his possession, according to the report. His bond was set at \$20,000 cash. He pled not guilty to all charges during his preliminary hearing on December 22, 2014.

While officers executed the search warrant, they were also able to serve a warrant on Brandon Jenkins, of 379 Rice Station Road who was at Coffey’s address.

Jenkins is being charged with cultivating 36 marijuana plants behind his residence back in September of 2014. His bond was set at \$5,000, and he pled not guilty at his preliminary hearing on December 22, 2014.

Irvine officers Karl Rifenbark and Mike Gross also assisted with the case.



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Wood were retroactively re-appointed to the ambulance board. Steve Garrett was also re-appointed to the ambulance board.

The County Clerk’s proposed budget was approved, as was the salary cap for the county clerk, at a total of \$200,000, which covers the salaries of all deputies and assistants.

The sheriff’s office budget was approved for \$325,901 as well as the sheriff’s maximum salary at a total of \$215,000. The salaries of all full-time and part-time staff are included in the salary budget. An advance was also approved from the state for the sheriff’s office in the amount of \$50,000 with a 0% interest rate.

A transport bill from the sheriff’s office for the amount of \$3,453.32 was approved, and overtime billing for \$2,530.25 was approved, with some discussion by the court as to how to decrease overtime costs.

Magistrate from District 3 Darrell Johnson inquired about the use of a van to transport inmates back and forth to Lee County so that it would not be necessary for law enforcement to make three or four individual trips per day.

County Attorney Rodney Davis said a van would have to be outfitted with a cage and have a sworn officer to do the transporting. He pointed out that such a van could also be used to transport those participating in work programs through the court system.

Davis said he has also recently met with the judges about instating a home incarceration program that would save money on jail costs.

The bank reconciliation statement was approved, as well as appropriation transfers and intrafund transfers. From general to jail funds, \$114,000 was approved.

Magistrate Darrell Johnson said he has heard that Bowie Refined Coal is now hauling up to 100 loads of refined coal per day. Ann Rogers, treasurer, said the county has received occasional coal severance checks so far.

Jimmy Wise thanked Fred Rogers for his work in securing the grant for life-saving equipment, such as ventilators, intubation equipment and cots for emergency vehicles.



# VIEWPOINTS

## Year-end accomplishments & looking ahead to the new Congress

**By Senator Mitch McConnell**  
*Republican, U.S. Senator for Kentucky*

Last month, the people of Kentucky elected me to be their Senator for the next six years and in the process helped me become Senate Majority Leader. I am deeply honored and humbled by the faith the voters have placed in me. The message from the electorate in Kentucky and nationwide could not have been more clear: the public wants a change in direction and expects things to get done in Washington. I am pleased to report that just in the past several weeks, I have been able to fight for and secure a number of positive measures to help improve the lives of Kentucky families. Before adjourning, Congress passed legislation that prevents a retroactive tax increase on many small businesses, farmers and individuals across Kentucky. One of the more important provisions allows small businesses and farmers to expense certain business investments, for instance, the purchase of new equipment, which will help spur economic growth and job creation in the Commonwealth.

Congress also passed a bipartisan bill I was proud to co-sponsor which will assist Kentuckians with disabilities and parents who have children with disabilities. The Achieving a Better Life Experience, or ABLE Act, authorizes families to create tax-advantaged savings accounts that can be used for education, housing and transportation expenses for Kentuckians who have family members with disabilities. National Down Syndrome Society Ambassador Lynn Braker of Lexington, Kentucky said of this measure: “This is a monumental, landmark bill for people with Down syndrome and our families. This bill will change the way that families, including mine, will save for all their children and adults with Down syndrome.” The same is equally true for families coping with other disabilities. I also supported legislation in this Congress which will provide a steadier and more reliable funding stream for America’s veterans programs. We must never forget the noble sacrifices made by our nation’s veterans, and this provision helps us stay true to this pledge. We also passed a provision that shields

Kentucky’s new lawful industrial hemp pilot programs and related university research from interference by the Department of Justice. This is good for our Kentucky farmers who are increasingly looking to hemp as a potential cash crop and job creator. Similarly, another provision I supported blocks the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers from implementing the burdensome “Waters of the U.S.” regulations on our farmers. Helping to get the Obama administration’s Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) off the back of Kentucky farmers will have a beneficial impact on the economy of our state. Another provision I supported that became law will ease regulations on those in the coal industry by lifting a ground transportation restriction that negatively impacted the movement of this resource one way we can help fight the Obama administration’s War on Coal. In addition to these more broad-based measures, I was proud to support provisions that positively affect specific Kentucky concerns. For example, I helped ensure that National Guard drug interdiction programs, chemical

weapons disposal efforts at the Blue Grass Army Depot, and clean-up efforts at the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant were all fully funded. While this is good progress, we have much more to do. After the holidays, a new Republican Congress will take over and move forward to aid our nation’s economy on several fronts, starting with passage of the Keystone XL pipeline bill. This measure will create thousands of new jobs right away. A Republican Senate will redouble efforts to combat the president’s War on Coal. And a Republican Senate will have the opportunity to push back on the president’s unilateral action on immigration and continue the fight to repeal Obamacare, even as we work to address the damage it continues to do to our country and our economy. Kentuckians know that once I take over as Senate Majority Leader in January, I will continue to vigorously fight for them and their priorities. Until then I wish my fellow Kentuckians a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

## Have you suffered from denial?



**By Susan Lynch**  
*Celebrate Recovery*

Allow me to ask you a question. Have you ever done something and then denied it? Maybe you denied it for so long that you even started to believe it yourself. After you deny something for awhile you get comfortable in it. You just settle right down in your pig pen and start to roll around in the mud. Strange how that mud keeps you warm in the winter and cool in the summer, isn’t it? Guess what though,

that mud stinks! Whether or not anyone else smells it, the denial you allow yourself to roll around in is rancid.

The definition of the word DENIAL is : a psychological defense mechanism in which confrontation with a personal problem or with reality is avoided by denying the existence of the problem or reality.

When we are in denial we turn our feelings off, we begin to focus so much energy on hiding our problem that we don’t have energy to do anything else. We worry so much that someone is going to find out that we have skeletons in our closet that we can’t live a normal life. We are so busy covering up our tracks that we lose all concept of truth. Receipts go into trash cans, text messages get deleted before you get home, fast food wrappers get tossed onto the side of the road, you start eating

peppermints thinking you are covering up the smell of alcohol on your breath, you are wearing long sleeves to cover your quickly thinning arms, the list could go on and on.

Last year in March I lost a baby to a miscarriage. I shut down completely. Those who knew me best realized I was broken, those who knew me just in passing only saw the false face I wore. Instead of dealing with the pain I was feeling by talking to someone or going to The Lord in prayer, I turned to food.

Now maybe you are thinking big deal, she ate something, but trust me it wasn’t that simple. You see, in a matter of three months I packed on a total of 40 pounds.Yes, I said 40 pounds!! That’s what eating a box of nutty bars a day will do for you. I hid it well, I talked about it to a few people I trusted, but they never saw me

binge eat. That was a private moment I had in my car, driving down side roads, taking the long way home, anything I could do to keep it secret, but I was drained! Keeping an addiction or a habit a secret is a stressful thing, it causes anxiety, depression, and constant worry. Thankfully though, there is a way to come out of that denial and into the light. You see, denial allows us to continue to do whatever it is we know we should stop. We can tell ourselves that no one knows, that we aren’t hurting anyone, but the truth of the matter is even if no one else is suffering from our denial, WE ARE!

I like to compare denial to a splinter. Have you ever had a splinter in your finger? The longer it is in there the worse it hurts. Your finger may start to swell up, it may get red and irritated, infection may begin to

puff up under the skin, maybe it will even throb when you try to sleep. How do you fix it? You have to get it out right? So you build your courage up stick a needle in it, give it a squeeze and after that initial moment of OUCH you find relief.

Recovery is the same thing! The first step in recovery for any hurt, habit, or hangup is admitting that we have a splinter! Even if we only admit it to ourselves, we need to realize that the ugly truth is always better than a beautiful lie.

In my life, those moments of pain and realization have been bittersweet. The pain is always going to be bitter, but it only lasts a moment, and then the healing process can begin.

And believe me, my friends, healing is sweet. John 8:32 *And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.*

## Food banks regularly help make ends meet

During this festive holiday season, many of us are pulling up to tables overflowing with an abundance of delicious food. It speaks well of the American spirit that it is also a time when we think about those who are less fortunate.

The number of people in Kentucky currently seeking help to feed themselves and their families is staggering. A new report released by Feeding America and the Kentucky Association of Food Banks, Hunger in Kentucky 2014, shows that every year, more than 600,000 Kentuckians -- 1 in 7 -- receive food assistance through the Feeding America network of food banks and the agencies they serve.

Food banks are no longer just an emergency food network. Our clients are facing chronic and consistent needs. The average number of times a household turns to a food bank in Kentucky is seven per year. Food banks were set up to provide episodic assistance when a family needs extra help because of a crisis such as a medical emergency or car accident. Instead, food banks have become a regular part of many families’ monthly efforts to make ends meet.

The face of hunger in Kentucky may surprise you. Many of the people served by food banks have a job and a home and are raising families. More than 1/3 of the households served by food banks in Kentucky have at least one member who worked for pay in the

past year, and 96 percent reside in nontemporary housing such as a house or apartment. The most common household size is 2 to 3 members.

Stagnant wages and under-employment play a role in the continuing struggle. The Hunger in Kentucky 2014 study finds that of those employed in the past year, less than half (42 percent) worked 31 hours a week or more. Thirty percent worked 20 hours per week or less. The median annual household income is only \$9,150. It is clear that the recovery has yet to reach the hundreds of thousands of Kentucky households served by food banks each year.

The lengths these families go to ensure there is enough food on the table is quite shocking. Ninety-one percent of households we serve purchased inexpensive but unhealthy food as a coping strategy to feed their families. Sixty-one percent purchased food in dented or damaged packages. And 37 percent watered down their food to make it stretch farther. Most are employing more than one of these strategies, demonstrating that they are going through great effort to piece together solutions to reduce the likelihood of hunger in their households.

Perhaps even more troubling are the spending tradeoffs our clients must make. Sixty-nine percent had to choose between paying for food or medical care. Sixty-seven percent had to choose between paying for

food and paying for utilities. A third of the households we serve had to make these excruciating choices every single month.

Some may ask: what about food stamps? The federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly known as food stamps) has done wonders to help feed the most vulnerable families, but only 65 percent of our client households are participating in the program. Among those households that do receive SNAP benefits, only 7 percent report that the benefits usually last four weeks or more. When the benefits run out after a week or two, struggling families turn to food banks to help fill the gap.

Food insecurity is harmful to everyone, but it particularly devastating to children. Thirty percent of households we serve contain a child under 18; sixteen percent include grandparents who have responsibility for grandchildren who live with them. Not having enough of the right kinds of food to eat can have serious implications for a child’s physical and mental health, academic achievement and future economic prosperity.

All of us have a role to play in solving hunger in Kentucky -- individuals, charities, business and government. We must work together so every Kentucky family has enough healthy food to eat, not just during the holiday season

but all 12 months of the year. Please visit [www.kyfoodbanks.org](http://www.kyfoodbanks.org) to learn how you can join the fight against hunger in

Kentucky. *Tamara Sandberg is executive director of the Kentucky Association of Food Banks.*

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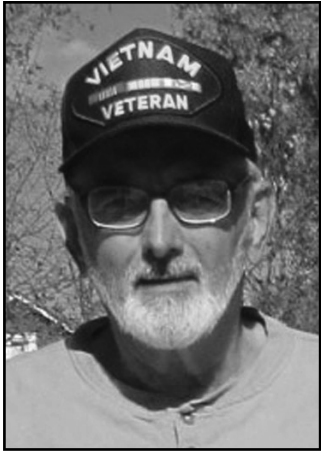
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# Just when you thought it was safe to go into the forest!



By Jerry Eltzroth  
*CV&T Guest Columnist*



Wolves. A recent article in The Kentucky Living magazine by Dave Shuffett concerning wolves made me recall Bonnie’s wolf encounter. Just a few years ago Bonnie drove her golf cart (also known as the ‘goat cart’--Toy Leslie needs to explain that name) to an area behind the barn where we dump our food scraps. The wild and domesticated critters that roam in this area keep them cleaned up. There she encountered what she swears was a wolf on the hillside pasture. They both froze instantly. Bonnie was too frightened to move as the wolf was debating whether to eat her there or drag her home. Bonnie garnered enough courage to make a weak gesture to scare it away. The wolf finally ambled into the forest. It caused Bonnie so much distress that I called the game warden. He at first said there are no wolves in Kentucky. It was probably a coyote. Bonnie countered with, “I have lived on a farm most of my life and have seen many coyotes. This was no coyote!” The game warden then said it may have been a ‘coydog’—a coyote crossed with a dog. A couple weeks later we saw a documentary about wolves. Bonnie exclaimed, “That is the wolf I saw!” We had never seen this creature before and never saw it again.

Dave Shuffett’s article stated that a wolf was killed in Hart County (near Mammoth Cave) in March 2013. Supposedly it was the first wolf killed in Kentucky in 150 years. I do not want to defy the Dept. of Wildlife but Russell Baker shared a story with me in the late 1980’s. He said his grandpa told him that they use to kill meat in the late fall

and haul it home after dark in a horse drawn wagon. On the way to their home in Estill County the wolves would follow and attempt to pull meat from the back of the wagon. Russell’s grandpa would have been about my grandpa’s age so this may have been in the early 1900’s. That’s not 150 years ago.



Mountain Lions. I had not officially met my new neighbor when he spoke to me as we were both filling up with gas at the Richmond Road Redi-Mart. I think he saw I did not know him, so Todd Chandler came over and introduced himself. Todd and Michelle had just built a new house on the back side of Charles Begley’s place. Charles and I have a long common property line that meanders along the south side of that ridge. The next thing Todd said to me was, “Have you ever seen that mountain lion?” That perked my ears up and I replied, “What mountain lion?!” Todd added. “I’ve seen it a half dozen times and it always comes up the hill from your place. I filmed it with my video camera.” My curiosity was running at full speed so I soon invited myself to Todd’s home to view his recording. Todd had filmed from his top front balcony as the mountain lion crept through the slight dusting of snow along the edge of the tree line. The mountain lion must have sensed Todd’s presence because it looked up at the same instant that its long tail unfurled. Without a doubt it was a mountain lion. Todd had contacted the game warden and he said it was probably someone’s pet that had gotten loose because there are no mountain lions around here.

A few years before Todd’s sighting William ‘T’ DeBoard lived on Clay Mansfield’s farm. He told me that he heard a woman screaming. He went looking for her and soon realized that it must be a panther. ‘T’ had lived in the country all his life and was not easily fooled by things of a natural origin, but that scream deceived him. Maybe someone else had lost a pet. Mark Rose recently told me that a trusted source had seen

two young black panthers cross the road in the Henry White ridge area in recent times. It is not uncommon for a mountain lion to be black. I have heard several stories about a black panther roaming the Madison County area. Many others have stories of mountain lions roaming throughout Eastern Kentucky. The favorite food of a mountain lion is deer. Perhaps the abundance of deer and wild turkeys in Kentucky now is encouraging these predators to relocate here.

Just as I was wrapping up this story the Lexington-Herald and the TV news reported that a mountain lion was sighted in Bourbon County on Monday, December 15th. A game warden had to kill the 125-pound male mountain lion. The carcass was sent to Frankfort for testing—another pet?



Bears. The frequent sightings of a black bear in Madison County last summer is a reminder that black bears are still around and appear to be increasing in numbers. Our daughter, DV, and our grandchildren witnessed last summer’s black bear as it roamed the Tate’s Creek/Richmond Centre area near their home.

There are occasional bear sightings around Witt Springs. In 1987, William Tipton, told me he saw a black bear on Sand Hill. William lived next to Hubert Wolfinbarger place. William was sitting on his front porch when a black bear ambled around the corner of the house. He said he did not know who was more startled. Using a phrase from the recent M&M commercial, they may have both exclaimed “They do exist!” before the bear turned to make a hasty retreat. Mark Rose and others have seen a bear on the Buford Richardson farm on Possum Run Road around 1993. Glenn Webb encountered a black bear a few years ago when he was looking for a missing cow near Possum Run creek. The bear reared up on its hind legs when they came face to face. Glenn said, “All I had with me was a walking stick!” Fortunately,

ly, the black bear dropped down on all fours and ran away. Glenn and a neighbor found his 1200 lb. cow later. It had been killed and they found claw marks on its neck. The Fish and Wildlife representative that came to investigate did not think a bear made the claw marks. Could it have been that ‘pet’ mountain lion? Since Glenn and I bordered in our bottoms along Possum Run Creek this was hitting pretty close to home. The whole meandering course of Possum Run Creek from its source near Substation Road until it flows into the Kentucky River is very remote—an excellent area for wildlife.

Bonnie and I encountered what we thought was a Polar Bear one spring as we were checking the progress of our wild raspberries that thrive along the foot of the cliff on our farm. Bonnie has a tremendous sixth sense trait. She felt we were not alone. As she turned to look behind us something caught her eye. She screamed so loud that the creature directly behind us dropped to the ground! It was Baby. She was the Great Pyrenees dog that belonged to Todd and Michelle Chandler. Baby looked a great deal like a small Polar Bear with her fluffy white fur. Whenever she heard us on the farm, Baby would come to visit. We always enjoyed her company. Unfortunately, Baby was hit by a car on Webb Road. We were saddened as much as Todd and Michelle about the loss of Baby.



Coyotes. This predator is increasing in numbers and they are very elusive. One of our invited deer hunters snapped a picture with his trail camera this fall of several turkeys visiting his bait station. The next picture was of 3 coyotes that were obviously trailing the turkeys. I happened to disturb a lone coyote’s slumber in an open field last spring on my neighbor’s property as I was repairing a line fence on a frosty morning. It was obviously a coy-dog from its markings.

Fox. On rare occasions we observe a red fox that is hunting in an open field. More often we see a gray fox as it comes to eat the

ripe berries that fall to the ground from the Mulberry trees. The gray fox we see do not seem to be frightened of us as much as a wild creature should be. Maybe they have learned from our other wildlife that we do not try to harm them. I’ve read that a fox’s favorite foods are house cats and small pet dogs—look out Coco!



Bobcats. Bobcats are rarely seen but there have been enough sightings on our farm to indicate there are several of them in this area. Bonnie saw a rather large house cat walking across the pasture near our ‘Fort Agate’ area this past summer. She started walking towards it and calling to it, “Here kitty, kitty.” The kitty turned to look at her. That’s when Bonnie observed the pointed, tufted ears and bobtail. She began back pedaling and the ‘kitty’ (young bobcat) scampered across the branch and was soon concealed by the undergrowth at the edge of the forest.



Snakes. Snakes could be the greatest health hazard of all the wild creatures in our area. The poisonous ones—copperheads and timber rattlers—can definitely cause you harm or even death with their bite. The non-poisonous snakes have the ability to make you hurt yourself. I have roamed our farm every season since 1984 and I have yet to encounter a venomous snake. I have found plenty of black snakes, cow suckers, rat snakes, green snakes, garter snakes and several other types of non-poisonous snakes. Barry Arthur told me he has copperheads living amidst his auto salvage yard. Last year we found snakes or the skins they shed everywhere. Our grandson, Todd, examined the snake skins and assured us they were not from poisonous snakes. This year there was hardly any snakes to be found. I did find a 4 foot black snake that made the mistake of leaving his tail sticking out of Bonnie’s flower bed. I caught and re-

leased him away from the house to prevent a blood curdling scream from Bonnie. Bonnie allows the black snakes to live.

It may be a myth but I have heard that if you have plenty of the non-poisonous species of snakes that they will keep the others away. They do not like one another. ‘T’ DeBoard happened to observe a black snake fighting a copperhead. He watched the ensuing battle. The copperhead struck the black snake. The black snake disengaged from the fight, went to chew on a weed, and came back to battle the copperhead again. ‘T’ regretted that he did not go to find the weed on which the black snake chewed. It was probably an antidote to the poison.

Snakes have been known to crawl into mailboxes. Last year our mail carrier, Bud Tucker, opened our mailbox and found a snake coiled inside. He screamed in terror but the rubber snake did not bite. At the sound of his scream Bonnie came from her hiding place on our carport and said, “Got ‘cha!” This was Bud’s payback for the note he had put on Bonnie’s 1963 Madison Central High School class reunion letter. He had circled the return address and wrote, “Nobody is this old!” There’s no greater wrath than a woman whose age has been compromised. Fearing retribution Bonnie was careful about opening the mailbox for a very long time.

Although it was cold weather there was another snake found in our mailbox the day before Thanksgiving. This time I found it. It was Bonnie’s payback from Bud. I did not scream but I did jerk my hand back upon sight of the real-looking rubber snake. As a former mail carrier I have had some experience with rubber snakes being in mail boxes, especially at Halloween. Since Bud’s snake was meant for Bonnie I inserted it into our folded newspaper for Bonnie to find later. Of course I got blamed for it.

Be cautious when exploring our rural areas because there are many wild predators living there which you may stumble upon unexpectedly. Our 5-year-old granddaughter, Emma, calls it the ‘witch’s forest.’ Oh great! Just when I thought I had the predators figured out, now I have to worry about witches.

# Breaking a Mule Colt

By Roy L. White (1895-1992)

“One day my brother and I decided we would have some fun. We secured a good strong rope, adjusted the harness to fit our two year old mule, and greased the old wagon up to the trim. We next caught the old mule, harnessed him up and got everything in readiness for the fun.

We drove all the horses up to the barn and then separated the young mule from the rest, enclosed him in a stall, walked in behind him very quietly and yet quickly pressed myself close to his heels and began rubbing and patting him. In spite of his kicks he could not hurt me while in that position and I gradually made my way up to his head, slipped a halter on his head, and led him out of the stable.

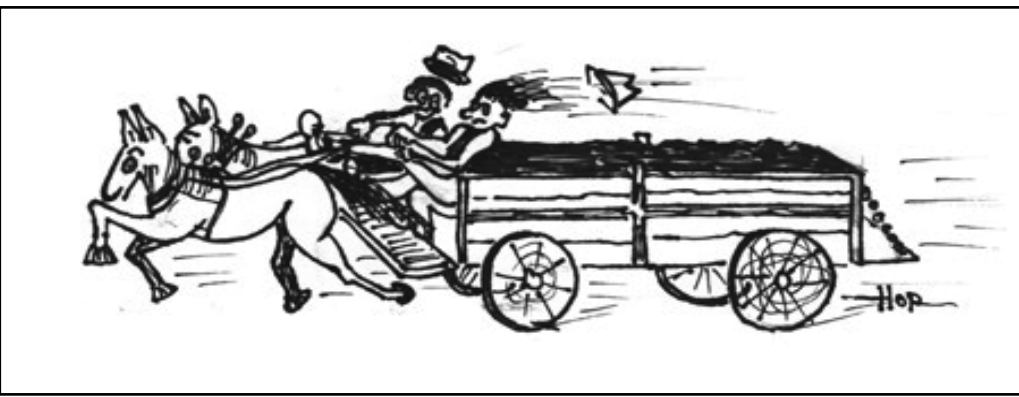
For the first time in his life he soon had a nice fitting harness on and was standing by the side of his old experienced friend (the old mule).

I got into the wagon and gave a cluck to them. The old mule started but the little

fellow only stood firm, until the wagon was on his heels, so close as to nearly drag him along. Then with a mighty jump he broke off at full speed. The old mule held back with all his might but the little fellow succeeded in getting the best of him and continued to go. I was holding back on the lines with my might but as everyone knows, who ever had any experience with a mule, that was of little use for their mouth is about as tough as their shoulders. My brother threw on the brakes and I managed to keep them within the center of the road to avoid striking a telephone pole and tearing up my wagon. We were going down the road at a wonderful speed but at last came to a hill and the little fellow could

not go any farther and he rested one set of muscles to go to kicking with another. This time however the old mule had the advantage of him and forced him to go on, very much against his will.

We always let him run until he was tired



out and day after day we would catch him up and give him his task without ever giving one inch to him and within two weeks we had him broke as nicely as any mule.”

Roy L. White, English  
*This article was submitted by Jerry G. Rose of Lexington. It was obtained from Garey L. White, (gwhite3801@aol.com), son of the author. Garey found his father’s hand written English assignment in ink with a pencil date of 1917. (It was obviously written in response to the English Professor’s assignment to compose a writing documenting a personal experience during his boyhood years.) At that time Mr. White was attending the Berea Normal School in Berea, Kentucky. He started there in the Fall Term of 1917,*

*but did not get to stay long, as the term was cut short when all the boys were sent home with instructions to either “work on the farm or join the army”. His father worked on the farm for a short time before he was drafted. He served in Europe during WWI returning to work on the L&N Railroad at Ravenna for 42 years. He was a lifelong resident of the Cedar Grove community in Estill County. The reference to “my brother” is obviously a reference to his brother Bob, who grew up as his closest daily companion. It is typical of the types of amusements for young folks back in the early 1900s. The paper is produced unaltered from its original form. (Special thanks to Harold Hopper for the illustration.)*



Alvin Craig Gunn, 88



Alvin Craig Gunn, 88, died Sunday, December 14, 2014, at The Terrace Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Berea. He was born May 24, 1926 in Cambridge, Ohio and was the son of the late Fred F. and Mable Louella Smith Gunn. He was a farmer and a retired SGS Tool Company employee. He was a member of the Graham Road Baptist Church in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Maxine Moore Gunn; three step-daughters, Jane Ellen Walters of Ravenna, Linda Sharon Seese and her husband, Doug of Berea, and Deborah Kay King of Irvine; one step-son, Randy William Moore and his wife, Colleen of Akron, Ohio; three sisters, Vonnah Jean Cox of Ohio, Shirley Stutz and her husband, Loren of Ohio, and Carol Lodge and her husband, Dale of Ohio; 11 grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren; six great-great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a step-son, Bernard Neil Moore; 2 sons-in-law; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, December 19, at the Warren F. Toler Funeral Home Chapel by Rev. Rob Steinbrook. Burial at the Oakdale Cemetery.

Theodore “Ted” Lowe, 57



Theodore “Ted” Lowe, 57, of Riddell Court in Irvine passed away Saturday, December 20, 2014, at the Marcum & Wallace Memorial Hospital following a brave battle with cancer. He was born July 23, 1957 in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania and was the son of the late Stanley and Mildred Tupi Lowe. He was a carpenter and a retired teacher with the Lee County Technical School. He was a member of the Ravenna Nazarene Church and several professional societies.

He is survived by his wife, Debra Toler Lowe; his step-mother, Patricia Lowe of Monaca, Pennsylvania; two sons, James Paul Lowe, and Nicholas Lowe, both of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; two step-children, Amy Elizabeth Henry of Irvine, and Joseph Bradley Clem of Lexington; one brother, Stanley Fredrick Lowe of Washington, DC; three step-brothers and one step-sister; his father and mother-in-law, Warren and Elizabeth Toler of Irvine; and four grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his brother, James Paul Lowe.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, December 23, at the Warren F. Toler Funeral Home Chapel by Rev. Rob Steinbrook. Burial at the West Irvine Cemetery.

Clarence D “C.D.” Noland Jr, 77



Clarence D “C.D.” Noland Jr, 77 of Irvine Kentucky died on Monday December 15, 2014. He was born in Lee county on June 11th. 1937, to the late Clarence. D. Noland Sr. and Amanda Fike Noland. Clarence retired from the CSX corporation with 35 years of service and also retired as a Master Sergeant from the Kentucky Army National Guard with 31 years of service. C.D. was the former owner of the Montgomery Ward Catalog Store and a partner in Noland Lumber and Noland Brothers Farms. Clarence served from 1982-1996 in the Kentucky House of Representatives and was the Minority caucus chairman and Vice Chairman of the Appropriations and Revenue and Transportation committees.

C.D. had a long history of civic activism and community service. He served 16 years on the Marcum and Wallace Memorial Hospital Board with the majority of time as chair. In 2006, he received the Kentucky Hospital Association’s Healthcare Governance Award. He also served as Vice-chair of the Marcum & Wallace Memorial Hospital Foundation Board. He served two terms as president of the Irvine-Ravenna Kiwanis Club and was named National Kiwanian of the year in 1987. He was a member of the Natural Bridge Park Association, Bluegrass Area Development District Transportation Board and in 2005, was inducted into the 6th District Republican Hall of Fame. C.D. was past President of the Estill County Development Alliance and was the long-time treasurer and the 50 Year Member of the Irvine Masonic Lodge #137 F&AM and was twice (2003 & 2006) named Mason of the Year. He was a 32nd Degree Mason in the Valley of Covington Scottish Rite, Irvine Chapter #42 R&AM, Irvine Council #92 R&SM, Irvine Chapter #357 Order of the Eastern Star and White Shrine of Jerusalem.

Clarence is survived by his wife of 53 years, Bobby Carol Noland; his two children Jenifer and her husband, Phil Cherry of Henderson, Nevada, Dr. Thomas and his wife, Sharon Noland of Mobile, Alabama; his two grandchildren, Elizabeth and Caroline Noland; his brother W.J. and his wife, Phyllis Noland; sisters, Doris and her husband, Bob McCray, Jewell and her husband, Jasper Castle, and Wilma Pugh; numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by one brother, Charles Noland.

Funeral Services were held Friday, December 19, at the Irvine United Methodist Church, 243 Main St. with Rev. Don Hatton officiating. Masonic Rites were bestowed at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Arrangements were entrusted to Lewis Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations made to Marcum & Wallace Memorial Hospital Foundation, 60 Mercy Court, Irvine, KY 40336, or the Irvine Masonic Lodge Association Building Fund, PO Box 252, Irvine, KY 40336.

Dr. Glenn T. “Bo” Morris, 61



Dr. Glenn T. “Bo” Morris, 61, of Richmond, Kentucky, died on Monday, December 22, 2014, after a courageous battle with cancer. He was born August 9, 1953, in Heidelberg, Germany, the son of James and Doris Morris.

He was a loving husband to his wife, Judy Palmer Morris of 38 years, and a devoted father to his two daughters, Megan Morris Butcher and Greta

Morris Strange, both of Richmond. Earlier this year, Bo gained two new sons-in-law, when Megan married Joey Butcher, and Greta married Danny Strange. He was also a wonderful Papa to his granddaughter, Sophia Monroe Morris. He also had one sister-in-law, Cheryl Palmer, and one brother-in-law, Alan Palmer, both of Richmond.

For the past 21 years, he was a cardiologist and touched many lives, providing care and compassion for his patients. He cared deeply for his community and the people in it, and always strived to make it a better place to live for everyone. He treated patients in Madison County at Baptist Health Richmond, and in surrounding counties, and the clinic at Marcum & Wallace Memorial Hospital in Irvine held a special place in his heart.

He loved his family, but the number one priority in his life was his faith and his love of God. Bo was always glad to share his faith, and he often talked with friends about what God had done for him, and the knowledge that he would be with God in Heaven some day.

Bo’s love of knowledge led him to recently earn his master’s degree in health administration. He also enjoyed studying the Bible and gaining an even better understanding of God’s word.

Photography was one of his hobbies, and he shared that love with many friends, whose lives were enriched by getting to know him through it.

Visitation will be from 5-9 p.m. Friday, December 26, 2014 at Oldham, Roberts & Powell Funeral Home in Richmond, Ky. Funeral will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, December 27 at the funeral home, followed by burial in the Resthaven Memorial Park on Bardstown Road in Louisville.

Ida Bea Puckett West, 81

Ida Bea Puckett West, 81, of James West Way in Irvine, died Wednesday, December 17, 2014 at her home following a short illness. She was born March 25, 1933, in Estill County, the daughter of the late John Allen and Elizabeth Crouch Puckett. She was a homemaker and had lived in Estill County all of her life. She was of the First Church of God faith. She was preceded in death by her husband, James Allen West.

She is survived by; daughter, Elizabeth Powell and her husband Breck, of Irvine; sons, Otis Lee West and his wife, Rene’, of Irvine, and David Allen West and his wife, Darlene, of Irvine; three sisters, Beatrice West, Jimmy Lou Berry, and Sally Marcum; a brother, Willard Puckett; six grandchildren, “Little” David West, April Riddell, Mandy Beckler, Darla Estes, Kirsten West, and Jamie Woolery; nine great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by: her daughter, Lois Woolery; a grandson, Billy “Bo” Abney Jr.; two brothers, James Puckett, and Orville Puckett; three sisters, Laurie Johnson, Sudie Mays, and Polly Puckett.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 20 at the Warren F. Toler Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Jerry Rose. Burial at the Dunaway Cemetery. Expressions of sympathy can be made to Hospice Care Plus. Pallbearers were Logan Beckler, Cody Beckler, Jake Estes, John Beckler, David West, Trinity McIntosh. Honorary Pallbearers were Gage Riddell, Jacob Estes and Robert Morgan.

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Commonwealth's attorney amends to theft by unlawful taking under \$500.

- Charles W. Webb, status hearing, no operators/moped license, dismissed, wanton endangerment- first degree, plead guilty, leaving scene of accident/failure to render aid or assistance, dismissed, disregarding stop sign, dismissed, Commonwealth's attorney recommends 2 years. Court reserves right to reject plea. Probation not part of plea agreement. Sentencing on January 23.
- Samuel D. Riddell, status hearing, operating motor vehicle under/influence of alcohol/drugs, ect. .08 first offense, failure to illuminate headlamps, possession of marijuana, possession of controlled substance- second degree, barbituate, possession controlled substance, second degree- drug unspecified, illegal possession of legend drug, tampering with physical evidence, promoting contraband- first degree, defendant remains in custody, continued until January 8.
- Joshua Turpin, status hearing, three counts of unlawful imprisonment- first degree, assault, fourth degree (domestic), third or more within 5 years, assault fourth degree minor injury, terroristic threatening, third degree. By agreement or parties and complaining party defendant released from home incarceration, defendant to obey all laws and have no contact with complaining party or complaining parties children, defendant must stay away from drugs and alcohol, continued until February 5.
- Jacob Hoskins, theft by unlawful taking or disposition auto- \$500 or more but under \$ 10,000, plead guilty. Court approves plea agreement between Commonwealth's attorney and defendant.
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# 2nd Annual Sgt. Kenton Bray Operation: Share One Smile (SOS) Food Drive



Above left to right: Amber Bray, Kamden Bray, and Donna Bray with food collected at Estill Springs Elementary School.

In memory of their Dad, Parker and Kamden Bray collected non-perishable food items to help those in need. Kenton was a veteran of Operation Iraqi Freedom, and suffered from malnutrition, malabsorption, PTSD, TBI, and liver disease. He passed away January 22, 2013, as a result of unknown causes.



Above left to right: South Irvine Principal Lisa Reese, Donna Bray, Amber Bray and Parker Bray with a shopping cart full from South Irvine Elementary School.

His body could not tolerate food and no one knows why. All the donations were collected and taken to the Estill County Food Bank, and will be distributed through that program. No one should go hungry.

# Toy Drive Held in memory of Will Wise



For eight years, a local family has collected toys for children who are patients at MWMH. For the last five years, the toy drive has been in memory of their son, Will Wise, who was tragically killed in a car wreck. MWMH thanks the Wise Family and Friends for their generosity each Christmas. And thanks to community members who supported their toy drive. Pictured is Arielle Estes with Will's family and friends from the Christian Worship Center.



The Fidelis Class of Centenary United Methodist Church in Lexington adopted 54 children from Estill County. This is the 14th year for Christmas party which is held at Christian Worship Center. After Santa passed out all the gifts, Verlon and Lois Prewitt held a reception at their home for all of Santa's helpers. Renee Saylers, organizer of the party for the last 14 years, passed the torch to Debbie Rison who will be working with Wenda Weeks of CUMC next year. Merry Christmas from all of Santa's helpers!

*A little smile, a word of cheer,  
a bit of love from someone near,  
a little gift from one held dear,  
best wishes for the coming year.*



**Merry Christmas!**  
**From the Citizen Voice & Times staff:**  
**Teresa Hatfield-Barger, Angelia Richardson, Megan Parker,**  
**Lisa Bicknell, and Brittney Philapy**



# LIFESTYLES

## Managing diabetes during the holidays



The holidays are a time to eat and eat and eat some more. With all of the good food and fellowship around, it is sometimes easy to get carried away at the dinner table. If you have diabetes, this can especially be a problem. A healthy diet is so important to controlling and lessening the effects of diabetes, but eating healthy can be a struggle and challenge for some people with diabetes, particularly those who have been recently diagnosed with the disease. And the upcoming holidays pose additional challenges and present more temptations. If you have diabetes and you eat a moderate amount of foods that are high in nutrients and low in fat and calories, then eating during the holidays should be no different from the way you eat every day. If you do not

eat this way, then try to create daily, healthy eating habits before the holidays begin. These habits should include consuming a well-balanced breakfast, fruits and vegetables in a variety of colors, whole grains and a variety of lean proteins in the appropriate portion size. During the holidays, most people have the tendency to go overboard with desserts, because they are at every function and these treats are available in large quantities. This year my weakness has been the pumpkin roll. I have eaten more of that this year than I have in any years past, but it's just been tasting so good! Unfortunately though, my pumpkin rolls, and desserts in general, often contain very few nutrients and are heavy in carbs and fat that can quickly raise your blood sugar levels. Healthier options include eating fruit for dessert, splitting a dessert with someone, removing high-fat whipped topping and frosting from desserts and eating fewer carbohydrates during the main course so you can have a small dessert. You can reduce the amount of sugar in many holiday dishes by making healthy adjustments to your recipes. Use vanilla

or cinnamon as a substitute for some of the sugar in recipes. Unsweetened applesauce can replace cooking fats or sugar-free syrups can be used in place of regular syrup. You can also try using fresh fruit or fruits canned in their own juices rather than fruits canned in heavy syrup. For more information about gaining control of your diabetes or extension program offerings for diabetics, contact the Estill County Extension office of the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service. I hope each and every one of you has a very Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year! And remember; try not to go overboard on the foods! Happy Holidays!



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## Plain and simple, but favorites just the same



By **LISA BICKNELL**  
*CV&T News Editor*

Few things conjure up warm nostalgic feelings like thumbing through stained and tattered recipes that are family favorites to make at Christmastime. Homemade cookies, fried dried apple pies, and jam cakes are some local holiday standards. Personally, I like cookies—all kinds of them. There are other recipes that my family makes a lot at Christmas, although I'm not sure why. Christmas Punch became a favorite of ours when I was about half-grown. I don't know where Mom got the recipe for this simple fruit punch, but we couldn't get enough of it when we were kids. The ingredients and the method are very simple. Here's the recipe.

**Christmas Punch**  
1 box cherry-flavored gelatin  
2 cups boiling water  
2 cups sugar  
1 qt. pineapple juice  
1 ½ cup lemon juice

Dissolve gelatin in boiling water. Add sugar, juices and enough water to make one gallon. (I have decreased the sugar by about a half cup, which didn't hurt the taste of the punch at all.) Serve cold. This punch tastes a lot like "Hawaiian Punch" and is very good with salty country ham. I have used strawberry gelatin in place of the cherry gelatin, and it works well. \*\*\*\*\* My favorite sugar cookie recipe is less sweet than a typical sugar cookie. Actually, it's more of a shortbread cookie. But I've made this many times, and I like it. For additional sweetness, you can top these with frosting.

**Old fashioned Southern Tea Cakes**  
½ cup butter  
1 cup sugar  
1 egg, well beaten  
¼ cup milk  
2 ½ cups flour  
2 tsp. baking powder  
1 tsp. vanilla  
Cream butter and sugar. Gradually add well beaten egg, milk and flavoring. Sift dry ingredients and add to first mixture. Roll out to 1/4 -inch thickness. Chill dough for an hour or two for easier handling. Cut with cookie cutters and bake at 375 degrees. Frost if desired.

## Kentucky Afield Outdoors: Mid-winter is a great time to hunt rabbits



Tim Slone, director of the information and education division of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, admires a rabbit he harvested last winter in Henry County. Winter's cold and snow make great conditions for rabbit hunting.

Outdoors enthusiasts of a certain age well remember their grandfathers extolling the virtues of fried rabbit, declaring it superior to filet mignon and better than any restaurant meal you could buy. Many hunters scratch around for something to get them afield during that dull period from Christmas until the first warm winds of spring. Grab a shotgun, don some brush pants, a hunter orange vest and walk an overgrown fencerow to jump a rabbit. "The rabbit population is still really good, we have a lot of rabbits in Kentucky," said Ben Robinson, small game biologist for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. "Hunters should find good winter rabbit hunting across the state." Mail carriers in rural areas help Kentucky Fish and Wildlife by recording rabbits they see while driving their daily mail routes. "Last year, we had our highest mail carrier survey since the early 1980s," Robinson said. "They were down a little this year, but there are still plenty of rabbits." Late December and January are great rabbit hunting times. Robinson hunted rabbits this past week and did well, harvesting several. "Even if you don't have a dog, you can still hunt rabbits successfully," he said. "Kick around some cover and you can jump some rabbits up." Robinson and his hunting group had their best success in woody cover. "This cover grows more important for rabbits as the weather gets colder," he explained. "We found our rabbits in blackberry thickets, in small creek drainages, along fencerows and in wood lots near fields." He also said rabbit hunters without dogs must be quick on their feet. "You don't have the set-up time that you do with dogs," Robinson said. "When you get near the cover, be prepared for a quick shot." Don't give up on a rabbit if it bolts from thick cover and you don't get a shot. "That rabbit is likely close by," Robinson said. "Hunt the next decent cover you come across. A rabbit is not going to run farther than it has to. They hide quickly." Cedar thickets make excellent rabbit hunting spots on cold, windy days or when snow blankets the ground. Thick stands of young cedar offer a windbreak as well as hiding cover. Make sure to stop and wait periodically when hunting cedar thickets. "Being still makes them nervous and they will flush," Robinson said. The Bluegrass Region and the mountains of eastern Kentucky hold the highest

rabbit densities, but practically any wildlife management area in Kentucky offers decent rabbit hunting. "Some of our smaller off-the-beaten-path wildlife management areas don't get as much hunting pressure and have good populations of rabbits," Robinson said, "especially those outside the Louisville, Lexington and northern Kentucky corridor." Shotshells loaded with No. 6 shot make an excellent rabbit load. Most rabbit shots are fairly close when hunting without dogs in winter. An improved cylinder choke works fine. When hunting with dogs, a modified choke is a good choice. Don't over-choke your shotgun and damage the tasty rabbit meat. "You will be more successful hunting with dogs," Robinson said. "A lot of dog owners are looking for someone to hunt with them. It is worth a try to ask to join them. If you have some access to land to hunt and they have dogs, you can make a partnership." Rabbit season closes Jan. 31 in the Eastern Zone. The season closes Feb. 10 in all counties west of and including Hancock, Ohio, Butler, Warren and Allen. The daily bag limit is four rabbits. Robinson asks rabbit hunters to participate in the Hunter Cooperator Survey and fill out a hunting log. This log provides valuable population information to biologists so they can make more informed decisions regarding rabbit management. Participants receive a small gift and a copy of the annual survey. Hunters can find printable hunting logs on the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife website at fw.ky.gov. Click on the "Hunt" tab, then the "Game Species" tab. Author Lee McClellan is a nationally award-winning associate editor for Kentucky Afield magazine, the official publication of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. He is a life-long hunter and angler, with a passion for smallmouth bass fishing. The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources manages, regulates, enforces and promotes responsible use of all fish and wildlife species, their habitats, public wildlife areas and waterways for the benefit of those resources and for public enjoyment. Kentucky Fish and Wildlife is an agency of the Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet. For more information on the department, visit our website at fw.ky.gov.

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# COMMUNITY

## CALENDAR

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### Estill County Grandparents United

Estill County Grandparents United meets the third Thursday of each month at 11:30 a.m. at Wiseman-town United Methodist Church, 1358 Wisemantown Road, Irvine, Ky. Please come join us.

### Food Court Applications

Food Court applications for the 2015 Mountain Mushroom Festival are now available at Irvine City Hall located at 101 Chestnut St. Food vendors must carry a minimum \$500,000 commercial vendor liability insurance. Application, fees and proof of liability insurance must be submitted by deadline date of Friday, January 30, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. Mailed applications must be postmarked by the deadline date. No late entries will be accepted. The application fee is \$150 per food booth space plus a \$75.00 Early Departure/Closing fee, if applicable. For more information, you may call Kim Williams at 723-4235. The 2015 festival dates are Saturday, April 25th & Sunday, April 26th. NEW FOR 2015 We will accept one food vendor to set up at the car show on Saturday ONLY. The fee for the one day setup will be \$75. All rules/guidelines apply. If more than 1 application is received for that space, a drawing will be held.

### Historical and Genealogical Society

The Estill County Historical and Genealogical Society will meet at 6 p.m. on January 6, 2015 at the Estill County Library for a business meeting. The 2015 Calendar is now available at the Museum on

Saturdays between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. The Museum on Broadway will be closed December 27. The Estill County Pictorial History, WW II Book, the School Book, and the two volumes of the Cemetery Books are still available.

### Masonic Lodge hosts seafood supper

Irvine Masonic Lodge #137 F & AM will be having their annual supper on January 3, 2015 at the Lodge building located at the corner of Lilly Avenue and Broadway in Irvine. The supper will be served at 6 p.m. Fried fish, shrimp, French fries, cole slaw, hush puppies, dessert and drinks will be served. The public, all Masons, their families and friends are invited to attend. The cost of the supper will be \$10 and includes all you want to eat. Children 12 and under eat for free.

### Public Service Announcement

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has approved disaster loans for residents in Kentucky counties affected by the August storms. You too may apply to SBA for your disaster damages. Call 1-800-659-2955 or visit the website at [www.sba.gov](http://www.sba.gov).

### Rock, Gem, and Mineral Club

There will be an organizational meeting of a local rock, gem and mineral club at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Estill County Public Library on Monday, December 29. The club will be formed for anyone who has an interest in hunting or refining stones for jewelry, collections or sales. This includes items such as the Kentucky Agate or other similar local, naturally produced items. Everyone is welcome.

### Twin City Krusers

Twin City Krusers would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Twin City Krusers would also like to thank everyone that helped support us this past year. We are looking forward to the New Year. Our first meeting for 2015 will be Monday, January 5 at 7 p.m. at Irvine City Hall. All meetings are finished around 8 p.m. Anyone interested in joining Twin City Krusers needs to come to our meeting or call for more information. President, Kenneth Tipton at 723-7554 or Vice President, Darrell Hall, 723-3612.

## CHURCH NEWS

### Irvine Church of God

Sunday, December 28, a gospel group known as "Stump Kickers" will be singing in the morning service. Everyone welcome.

### Mt. Carmel Christian Church

Join us for our Candle Light Service on Wednesday, December 24 at 5 p.m. If any questions, call 606-726-9342.

### Wisemantown United Methodist Church

A Christmas Eve service will be Wednesday, December 24 at 6 p.m. at the church. All are invited and visitors are always welcome.



**Community Calendar and Church News announcements should include a brief description of the event along with the time, date and location. Please include a phone number for more information with the announcement.**  
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**CALVARY BAPTIST** 723-7187 or 2416; S.S. 9:45 & 11 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

**COW CREEK BAPTIST** Hwy. 52, Beattyville Rd., Ravenna, 723-6183; Harold J. Lahrmer, Min.

**DRIPROCK BAPTIST**, Route 2004; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11:30 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m. 4th Saturday singing 6 p.m.

**EASTER VALLEY BAPTIST** Star Route, Irvine; Pastor, Michael Davis; S.S. 10am, W.S. 10:45am & 6pm.

**EMMANUEL BAPTIST** 3905 Richmond Rd.; Sherl Thomas, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

**FAITH BAPTIST, KY** 52, 1 mile east of Estill-Lee county line. SS 10 a.m., Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Pastor, Todd Blevins  
**FIRST BAPTIST** 723-4573, 351 Broadway, 723-4173; Keith Williams, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

**FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST** Hudson Avenue and River Drive, 723-4816; Scott Rogers, min. S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wed. 6 p.m.

**GREENBRIAR BAPTIST** 6750 McKee Rd.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. Pastor, Delmar McGee.

**HARG BAPTIST** Spout Springs Rd., 723-6747; Larry Neal, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

**IVORY HILL BAPTIST** 8315 Winchester Rd., Ted Barker, Min.; S.S. 9:45 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 7 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

**KNOB LICK BAPTIST CHURCH** Knob Lick Rd., Fred Livingood, pastor; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wed. 6 p.m.

**MORRIS CREEK MISSION-ARY BAPTIST** Kevin Chaney, Pastor; S.S. 10 a.m., W.S. 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m.

**NEW BETHEL MISSION-ARY BAPTIST** S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 10:45 a.m. & 6p.m., Thurs. 6 p.m.

**NEW BETHEL #1 BAPTIST CHURCH** Barnes Mt.; Rev. Aaron L. Stamper; W.S. Sunday 11 a.m.

**OLD TIME BAPTIST** Jerry Chaney Pastor; Sunday School 10:00 a.m.; Singing Service, Worship Service follows the singing.

**PINE HILL BAPTIST** Star Route Bro. Dennis Williams, Min. S.S. 10 a.m., W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wed. 6 p.m.

**PROVIDENCE BAPTIST** S.S. 9:45 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m., Kyle Knight pastor.

**SALEM BAPTIST** Spout Springs, 723-6683; Jerry Smith, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 7 p.m.

**SOUTH IRVINE BAPTIST**

1215 South Irvine Road, 723-8298; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m. Pastor, Donnie Burford.  
**THOMAS BAPTIST** Route 2; Rick Kirby, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 7 p.m.; Wed. 7 pm. Phone 723-6809  
**WILLIAMS MEMORIAL BAPTIST** 404 Poplar St., Ravenna, 723-5429; Vincent Carmen, Interim Min.; S.S. 9:45 a.m.; W.S. 10:50 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 6 p.m.

## CATHOLIC

**ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH** 322 Fifth St., Ravenna; 723-4705; Father Al Fritsch, SJ, Mass 9 a.m. Sun.; Weekday Mass 6 p.m. Wed. & Thurs., Religious Ed. 6:30 p.m. Wed.

## CHRISTIAN

**BEAVER POND CHRISTIAN** Glendon Mays, Min., S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Bible Study Wed. 6 p.m.  
**BETHEL CHRISTIAN** Fox, KY 859-744-0277, Doyle Spry, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 5 p.m.

**CORINTH CHRISTIAN** Linville Dunaway, 723-3369. S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

**CROOKED CREEK CHRISTIAN** Leo Crowe, Min. S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 7 p.m.

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH** 270 Main St., Irvine 723-2924 S.S. 9:45 a.m.; W.S. 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 6 p.m. Bro. Greg Humpert, Pastor.

**MT. CARMEL CHRISTIAN** 180 Furnace Jct., Ravenna, Min. Mark Pearson, 726-9342, church, cell phone 859-582-5015; S.S. 9:45 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 6 p.m.

**RAVENNA CHRISTIAN** 7th & Elm; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m., Bible Study Wednesday, 7 p.m. Pastor Tony White  
**RICE STATION CHRISTIAN** Rice Station Rd. 723-4791; Kirt Scott, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

**RIVER DRIVE CHRISTIAN** 363 River Dr., 723-2553; Minister Paul Groves. S.S. 9:45 a.m. W.S. 10:45 am, 6:00 pm and Wed. 7:00 pm

**SAND HILL CHRISTIAN** 626-5862; Matt Vaught, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

**SOUTH IRVINE CHRISTIAN** 932 South Irvine Rd., 859-744-1693; Mike Chism, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.  
**STATION CAMP CHRISTIAN** Scott Beauchamp, Pastor; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

## CHURCH OF CHRIST

**BROADWAY CHURCH OF CHRIST** 262 Broadway, 859-369-4165; Bob Casey, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m., W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wed 6 p.m.

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10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.  
**SOUTH IRVINE CHURCH OF CHRIST** 723-3707; Tony Belcher, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.  
**WEST IRVINE CHURCH OF CHRIST** Bond St.; Jason Dixon, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m.

## CHURCH OF GOD

**FIRST CHURCH OF GOD** Millers Creek 723-4749; Merle Travis, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

**GUM SPRINGS CHURCH OF GOD** Glenn Case, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11:15 a.m. & 6p.m.; Bible Study Wed. 7 p.m.  
**HARGETT FIRST CHURCH OF GOD** Forrest Turpin, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday 7 p.m.

**IRVINE CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY** 223 High St. S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 6:30 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

**IRVINE FIRST CHURCH OF GOD** 197 Broadway 723-6911; Stanley Hutchinson, Pastor; S.S. 9:45 a.m.; W.S. 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 6:30 p.m. p.m.

**RAVENNA CHURCH OF GOD** 212 Third St. 723-2898 Willie Hargus Gordon, Min. Brad Brinegar, Youth Pastor; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 10:45 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

**ROADSIDE MISSION CHURCH OF GOD** Furnace Road, 723-4183; Henry Johnson, Pastor

**WHITE OAK CHURCH OF GOD** Rt. 4, 723-0562; Glyndon Woosley, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m.

## METHODIST

**CEDAR GROVE UNITED METHODIST** Rt. 5, 859-986-3265; Greg McClellan, Pastor; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 6 p.m.

**IRVINE FREE METHODIST** 113 Plum St. 606-531-0465; Rev. Chris Carlyle, Min.; S.S. 9:30 a.m.; W.S. 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 6:30 p.m. Adult, Youth, Kids' Club.

**IRVINE UNITED METHODIST** 243 N. Main St. 723-3667; Rev. Don Hatton Min.; 723-2634 S.S. 9:30 a.m.; W.S. 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m.

**WISEMANTOWN UNITED METHODIST** 1358 Wisemantown Rd., 723-5694; Pastor Greg McClellan, S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 5 p.m.; Wed., 7 p.m.

## NAZARENE

**IRVINE FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**, Broadway, Irvine Pastor Curt Napier, Sr.; SS 9:45 a.m., MW 10:45 a.m.; S.E. 6 p.m.; Wed., 7 p.m. 517-719-2238.

**RAVENNA CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**, Main St., Ravenna Pastor: Rev. Rob Steinbrook, SS 10 a.m., MW 10:45 a.m. EW 6 p.m., Wed. 7

p.m. 723-4259.

## OTHER

**BODY OF CHRIST**, Bill Wesley, pastor; Sunday morning service 11 a.m.; Sunday night service 6 p.m.; Thursday night service, 7 p.m.

**CHRISTIAN WORSHIP CENTER** Jim Bonny Pastor, Broadway, Irvine; 606-531-0102; S. S. 10 a.m. W.S. 10:45 am, Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

**CRYSTAL HOLINESS CHURCH**, Pastor Jerry Rose, Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.

**FULL GOSPEL EVANGELISTIC MINISTRY CHURCH** 1972 Winchester Road., Irvine; 606-723-0343; Pastor Larry Collins; Church service Sun. 11 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

**GREEN PASTURES WORSHIP CENTER** 722 Broadway, Irvine; Doug Baker, Min.; Sun. 10:30 am., youth service Sun. 6 p.m., Wed. adult Bible study at 6:30 p.m. Phone 606-726-0510.  
**IRVINE APOSTOLIC CHURCH** 823 River Dr. 723-1904; Pastor Ivan Smith; S.S. 10 a.m. Sun. 6 p.m., Wed. 7:30 p.m.

**NEW BEGINNING FELLOWSHIP** 813 Old Richmond Rd., 723-5612; Delvin Reece, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 10:45 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

**NEW VISION FULL GOSPEL**, 5th St., Ravenna, SS 10a.m., MW 11 a.m., Sun. 6pm, Wed. 7p.m. Pastor: Buford Powell

**SOUTH IRVINE PENTECOSTAL CHURCH OF GOD** Senior Pastor, Rev. Todd Hignite; Sun. 6 p.m. Tues. 7 p.m.  
**THE NEW LIFE APOSTOLIC CHURCH**, (UPC) 2502 Richmond Rd. 723-4105; Ross Conley; S.S. 10 a.m. Sun. 6 p.m. Tues. 7:30 p.m.

**OUTREACH CHURCH**, Services Sunday, worship-11 a.m.; Thursday prayer meeting, 7 p.m.

**STACY LANE COMMUNITY PENTECOSTAL CHURCH OF GOD** 723-5076; Jason Riddell, Min.; W.S. 7:30 p.m. Fri./Sun.

**WAGERSVILLE COMMUNITY PENTECOSTAL CHURCH OF GOD** Beverly T. Arvin, Min.; S.S. 10:30 a.m.; W.S. 7:30 p.m. Sun. 6 p.m.; Thurs./Sat.

**LOWER RED LICK HOLINESS CHURCH** Dwight Northern, Min.; Sun. 6:30 p.m.; Thurs. 7 p.m.

**RESTORATION NOW MINISTRIES**, 100 Tyler Lane, Irvine, Pastor, Veronica Lay; Sunday W.S. 11 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 723-2449.

**TRUE VINE MINISTRIES**, 102 River Drive, Irvine, Bro. Terry Barnes, Sunday W.S. 10 a.m.; S.E. 6 p.m., 723-8421.

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## An Encouraging Word: A Life-Changing Event

*By Howard Coop* Herod ruled as King of Judea from 37 B.C. until 4 B. C. when, history says, Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea. Herod ruled at the will of the Roman Emperor, and he was known as the "Roman client king," and "the evil genius of the Judean nation."

An unusual thing happened during the reign of Herod. A group came to Jerusalem "from the east" or "from the orient." They are sometimes designated as astrologers, scholars who were studying the stars, magi, and wise men. Tradition has called members of that group kings and even given them names. According to tradition Melchior was King of Persia, Casper was King of India, and Balthazar was King of Arabia. To this day, we sing during the Christmas season, "We three kings of Orient are; bearing gifts we traverse afar."

The arrival of that group created a disturbance in Jerusalem that was sufficient to get the attention of Herod. They asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews?" Herod, disturbed by that question, assembled his wisest authorities and asked "of them where the Christ was to be born." Their answer was, "In Bethlehem of Judea."

When Herod heard that answer, he sent the group to Bethlehem with instruction to "Go and make a careful search for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him."

Lead by the star that had guided them to Jerusalem, they went on their way until that star "stopped over the place where the child was." When they came "to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary" and responded appropriately,

"They bowed down and worshiped him. Then, they presented him "gifts of gold, incense, and myrrh," gifts appropriate for a king.

Then, something happened that changed the direction of their lives. Being warned "not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route." For centuries, countless people have experienced a life-changing event and that gave them a new purpose and a new direction after encountering the child born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod.





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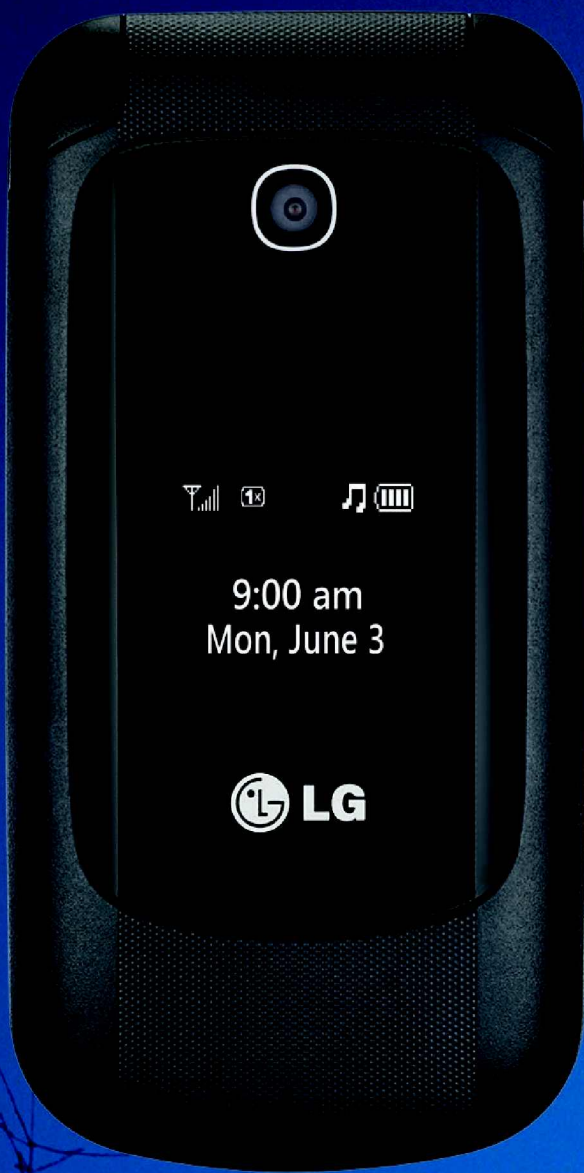


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